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TO-DAY'S LATEST WAR TELEGRAMS.

BRITISH DESTROYER'S FINE WORK.

SINKS ANOTHER GERMAN SUBMARINE.

The Crew Surrenders.

FAILURE OF THE GERMAN "BLOCKADE."

[Reuter's Service to The "Telegraph."]

Another German Submarine Sunk.

March 10, 3.20 p.m.
The Admiralty reports that the destroyer Ariel has rammed and sunk the German submarine U20. The crew have surrendered.

Another Fort Bombarded.

March 10, 1.5 p.m.
Reuter's correspondent at Paris reports that an official communique states that H.M.S. Queen Elizabeth, on Monday, supported by four battleships, entered the Dardanelles and bombarded, with fifteen-inch guns, fort Roumeli Medjidieh, on the south point of Kilitbahr.

Bad weather hampered operations.

(Official Telegram from the British Foreign Office)

March 9.

The Admiralty announces that during the week from February 25 to March 3 the aggregate of arrivals and sailings to and from British ports was 1,474. This is considerably above the average. No ships were lost during this period, although several attempts were made by the enemy, including one against a hospital ship.

German "Blockade" Fails.

March 9.
The German submarine "blockade" has had even less result than was expected, and, despite several attempts, including attacks on a hospital ship and a passenger vessel, no ships were lost between Feb. 25 and March 3.

On the 7th, a Liverpool coal steamer was sunk off Ilfracombe, but this is a small success and is amply set off by the loss of the U8 and reports of other mishaps to submarines.

The Air Raid.

On the 7th, also, an air attack met with good results, bombs being dropped on the submarine repair base and military headquarters.

In the Dardanelles.

Excellent progress is being made in the Dardanelles and also against the fortifications of Smyrna, where several hostile batteries were silenced with insignificant casualties to ships' crews.

No Anxiety.

The *Forwaerts*, commenting on the allied attack in the Dardanelles, says the sending out of the Queen Elizabeth shows how little anxiety the British Admiralty feels concerning its superiority in the North Sea.

The Fighting in Persia

In recent actions in Persia, British and Indian troops showed great pluck and endurance, and, fighting against immense odds, inflicted great losses on the enemy, who had over 10 times as many killed as the British force.

TO-DAY'S LATEST WAR TELEGRAMS.

French Reports. (Havas Telegram.)

March 8.
Yesterday we repulsed four counter-attacks against Notre Dame de Lorette. We progressed in Champagne and the Vosges to-day and strengthened gains previously acquired in Champagne.
Prisoners made yesterday declared that our heavy artillery badly damaged a 42 c.m. gun which had to be sent to the rear to be repaired; 4 men were killed and 7 wounded.
In Lorraine we progressed, stopping, after furious fighting, violent counter-attacks in the Vosges. We maintained all our positions, inflicting very heavy losses on the Germans.

(Official Telegram from the French Government, via Peking.)

March 10.

After unfruitful attempts by the Germans to retake a wood lost the day before, west of Perthes, we counter-attacked, gaining more than 500 metres of trenches.

We lost a few metres of trenches between Mesnil and Beauséjour, but we gained a hundred metres of the same north-west of Mesnil.

In Apremont forest we gained a footing in the enemy's trenches, capturing much material.

The Germans attempted to deliver an attack in Le Pretre wood, but could not succeed in emerging from the same.

Our progress is still continuing in the Balonvillers region. We repulsed several counter-attacks in Alsace.

[In the event of telegrams arriving too late for insertion on this page they will be found on the Extra.]

EARLIER TELEGRAMS.

More German Attacks Repulsed.

March 9, 4.25 p.m.

Reuter's correspondent in Paris reports that a communique states:—

A violent German bombardment has taken place in the region eastward of Steenstraete, followed by a German infantry attack, which failed.

The enemy made several more counter-attacks on Reichsackerkopf, which were easily repulsed.

Superiority of British Snipers.

March 9, 5.35 p.m.

Field Marshal Sir John French, in his latest bulletin, says:—
The mastery of our snipers has been maintained, which is primarily due to local and individual initiative, materially assisted by successful mining operations.

The enemy's artillery has been more active than usual, but the effect is slight.

New Greek Ministry Being Formed.

March 9, 5.35 p.m.

Reuter's correspondent in Athens states that General Gounaris is forming a Ministry, and will probably announce the names to the King to-night.

Dardanelles Casualties.

March 9, 11.35 p.m.

It is officially announced that the casualties in the Dardanelles operations on the 4th inst. were:—

Bluejackets: Three killed and six wounded.

Naval Division: Twenty-two killed, twenty-two wounded and three missing.

Desperate Fighting in Poland.

March 10, 1.55 a.m.

A Petrograd communique reports that there was desperate fighting on Tuesday between the Niemen and the Vistula.

A German attack on the Kolno and Lomza roads was repulsed.

The Austrians continue the offensive in the Carpathians, in the region of Baligród, despite crushing losses; also in the regions of Uezok and Munkacs, where they captured a hill near Koziomoko on the 7th. We retook it yesterday morning.

More German Trenches Captured.

March 10, 1.55 a.m.

A communique issued in Paris in the evening states:—
In Belgium, east of Steenstraete, we repulsed an attack.

There has been fighting all day at Notre Dame de Lorette, but the positions are unchanged.

Hot fighting has resulted in our favour in Champagne. We repulsed two counter-attacks in a wood where we recently gained a footing between Souain and Perthes, and made further progress here and in an adjoining wood.

We repulsed an attack on a ridge north-east of Mesnil.

We captured another two hundred yards of trenches and carried a German work with armoured shelters and extensive underground chambers.

We attacked between the Four de Paris and Blante, in the Argonne region, capturing two hundred yards of the enemy's front line.

TO-DAY'S WAR TELEGRAMS.

Pirates Again Busy.

March 10, 1.25 a.m.

The Admiralty announces that the steamer Tangisman has been torpedoed off Scarborough, only one being saved out of a crew of thirty-eight.

The steamer Blackwood has been torpedoed off Hastings. Her crew of seventeen was saved.

The steamer Princess Victoria has been torpedoed off Liverpool. Her crew of thirty-four was saved.

All these vessels were sunk on Tuesday morning.

March 10, 3.25 a.m.

The Princess Victoria was torpedoed eighteen miles off the mouth of the Mersey.

New Greek Cabinet Approved.

March 10, 3.25 a.m.

Reuter's correspondent at Athens reports that the King has approved the new Cabinet.

General Gounaris is Premier and Minister for War, and M. Zographos Minister for Foreign Affairs.

Second Canadian Contingent Landed.

March 10, 6.55 p.m.

The *Morning Post* announces that the second Canadian Contingent has landed in England.

The Dardanelles Operations.

March 10, 6.55 a.m.

It is reported from Athens that H.M.S. Queen Elizabeth entered the Straits on Monday for the first time and participated in the bombardment.

Shell fire from the Gulf of Saros partly destroyed Fort Maidos, above the Narrows.

Greece's Future Policy.

March 10, 6.55 a.m.

Reuter's correspondent at Athens telegraphs that it is believed General Gounaris will follow a policy of neutrality, with a leaning towards the Triple Entente.

His three principal collaborators, M.M. Zographos, Stratos, and Baltadje, are strong partisans of the Entente.

The Czar in Finland.

March 10, 6.55 p.m.

His Imperial Majesty the Czar has gone to Helsinki.

Trading with the Enemy.

March 10, 4 p.m.

Mr. Walter Runciman, President of the Board of Trade, read a Proclamation in the House of Commons relating to trading with the enemy.

The Proclamation does not prohibit trading with German firms or branches in China, but the Board of Trade, he said, is doing all it can to encourage the transfer of Chinese business from German to British firms.

(Official Telegrams from the British Foreign Office.)

Turks Lose Heavily.

March 9.

From further information received, the enemy's losses near Ahwaz in the engagement of the 3rd instant were considerably heavier than previously reported, amounting to about 600 killed and very many wounded, including several important Shaiks.

In the action of the 3rd instant in the direction of Nakaila it is now reported that the enemy lost 300 killed and 600 wounded.

Admiralty's Report.

The Admiralty makes the following announcement:—
The operations against the Dardanelles are progressing, favoured by fine weather.

On March 6, the Queen Elizabeth, Agamemnon and Ocean began to attack the forts by indirect fire across the Gallipoli Peninsula, firing at 21,000 yards. Meanwhile, inside the Straits, four British and one French ship fired on Susadero, and Mount Dardanos. Batteries which had been attacked on the previous day opened fire and were engaged and hit by 12-inch shells.

The majority of the ships inside were struck by shells, but there was no serious damage and no casualties.

On the 7th, four French battleships entered the Straits to cover a direct bombardment of the defences of the Narrows by the Agamemnon and Lord Nelson. French ships engaged Mount Dardanos battery and various concealed guns, silencing the former.

The Agamemnon and Lord Nelson advanced and engaged the forts at the Narrows, Forts Ramili Medjidieh, Tabia and Hamidieh. Tabia and another fort replied, but both were silenced after a heavy bombardment. Explosions occurred in both forts.

The Gaulois, Agamemnon and Lord Nelson were struck three times each, but the damage was not serious. The Lord Nelson had three men slightly wounded.

While these operations were in progress, the Dublin continued to watch the Balair isthmus.

TELEGRAMS.

NEWS FOR BUSY MEN.

CONDENSED.

The Czar has gone to Helsinki.

The second Canadian contingent has landed in England.

There has been no fighting in the Allies' favour in Champagne.

The British destroyer Ariel has rammed and sunk German submarine U20.

Mr. Bryan, U.S. Secretary of State, has again warned Americans to leave Mexico.

There was desperate fighting on Tuesday between the Niemen and the Vistula.

Three British merchantmen were torpedoed by the Germans on Tuesday morning.

The Austrians continue the offensive in the Carpathians, despite crushing losses.

An Athens message says M. Gounaris has formed a Cabinet, which the King has approved.

The death is announced of Dr. Donaldson, Principal of St. Andrew's University, Edinburgh.

It is reported that General Carranza has seized a British steamer and imprisoned the captain.

During the week February 25 to March 3, the aggregate of arrivals and sailings to and from British ports was 1,474.

The establishment of the Welsh Disestablishment Bill will be postponed until six months after the conclusion of the war.

It is believed that the new Greek Cabinet will follow the policy of neutrality, with a leaning towards the Triple Entente.

Mr. Runciman says the Proclamation relating to trading with the enemy does not prohibit trading with German firms or branches in China.

North-east of Mesnil, the Allies have captured another 200 yards, and carried a German work, with armoured shelters and extensive underground chambers.

NEWS.

Yesterday's football is reported to-day.

Further Notes on the Crisis appear on page 4.

A new passenger and cargo steamer was launched at Kowloon Docks to-day.

A new scheme for paving Hongkong's main roads is outlined to-day.

The provision of a turret clock for the Kowloon Railway Station is deferred for the present.

"Our Contemporaries" appears on page 2, Commercial News on page 9 and Log Book on page 6.

General news and some interesting leading articles from a Philadelphia newspaper appear on page 3.

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The Quaints, Theatre Royal—9.15 p.m.

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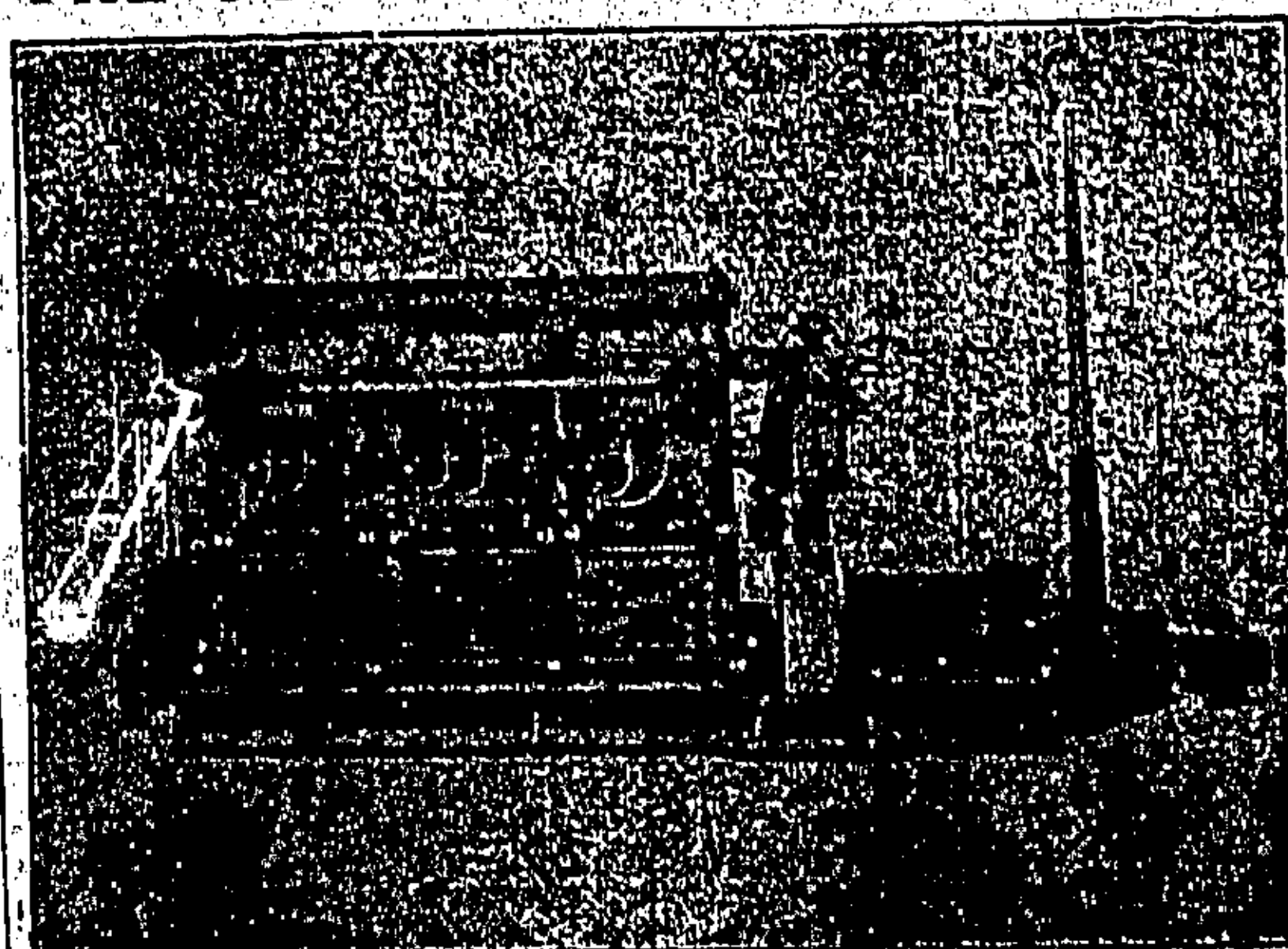
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The Struggle.
If events in connection with the war do not move quickly so far as the public eye is concerned, we have every reason for confidence in the immediate future operations on land. Everything points to a big movement in May, and the concentration of troops in France at the present time has not only awakened the enthusiasm of some of the highest French officials, but has elicited the highest praise from Russian official sources. A number of interesting facts were revealed last week by friends who have had occasion to study the situation in the immediate neighbourhood of the fighting line. When we state that in the vicinity of one large city the British authorities have secured many acres of land and have erected barracks to accommodate 30,000 men, at the same time securing a number of houses for the officers on a three years' lease, it is significant of the preparatory work being made.

Daily Press.

Small Neutral States and the War.

The position of Italy is one of much greater difficulty from many points of view. That an immediate intervention on behalf of the Triple Alliance is the most profitable course has much to support it. As it has been put by a writer in one of the Reviews: "If the Dual Alliance should win she has to face the possibility of a war of revenge and certainly of some severe humiliation. The Adriatic would indubitably become an Austrian lake, and she might even be deprived of Tripoli." Her interests, therefore—perhaps her existence—as an united Italy, it is urged, depends on the defeat of the German arms. On the other hand, in the case of the defeat of the Germans—an eventuality which is now practically certain—while neutral Italy would be relieved of apprehension she would not be entitled to an equal say in the settlement. The spirit of the Italian nation certainly seems resolved on war in the name of civilisation; their feeling has been described as a sort of ethical chauvinism, almost a religious enthusiasm; the rank and file are chauvinistic, we are told, "because their anger is just, and not for the hope of any territorial aggrandisement that the God of Battles may be induced to bestow." But there is another ethical consideration. For over thirty years Italy has maintained an obligation to remain neutral in the event of a war involving Germany in which Italy can, with honour, remain neutral, and she cannot now go back on her obligations and duties without incurring an incalculable future loss of moral prestige.

China Mail.

British Colonies Industrial Development.

In the course of an able article on this subject, a writer in "Engineering" to hand has some interesting observations to make. The one certainty, he says, regarding the issue of the present crisis is that in future there will be a bigger conception of the British Empire. That is unquestionable, for there has been shown of late a cohesion of the various parts of the Empire that was little thought of previously to the war and that cohesion, it may be confidently predicted, will become more rather than less pronounced as time passes. There will be changes, and no one can determine the lines along which such changes will develop, but it will certainly be in the direction of closer union between the Mother Country and the Dominions beyond the Seas. By their participation in the war they are further emerging at an increased pace from the position of dependences to the vigorous manhood of nationality, and consequently in the future the Dominions will be brought into a position of greater equality with the Homeland.

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GENERAL NEWS.

On Furlough.
Mr. A. Vozocien-ki, the Russian Vice-Consul at Shanghai, has left for home on furlough, and will probably be away for four months.

Mining Disaster in Spain.
Barcelona, March 5.—A violent explosion occurred yesterday in a coal mine in Cordoba, causing 30 deaths, 10 of whom were killed out right.

Fatal Gas Explosion in Virginia.
Lynchburg, March 2.—Some 171 miners have been entombed by an explosion of gas, which was followed by a fire. Only two men have been rescued up to the present and they were badly hurt.

The Ruhlbea Burns Club.
A new Burns club has come into being. It is the Ruhlbea Burns Club, and the members of it are Scottish civilians detained in the Ruhlbea concentration camp, near Berlin. A postcard announcing the formation, or, rather, the "inauguration," of the club has been received by the president of the Ayr Burns Club.

Captain Scott Memorial.
The Mansion House Committee of the Captain Scott Memorial Fund have entrusted to Mr. Albert H. Hodge the execution of the monument in London to the memory of Captain Scott and his comrades who perished in the Antarctic Expedition. The monument and pedestal are to cost £7,500. The committee have selected a site facing the Thames in the grounds of Greenwich Hospital.

Old Cliftonians and the War.
Mr. F. Borwick has compiled, in book form, a list of old Clifton College boys serving in the war. The total, so far as it can at present be ascertained, includes Sir Douglas Haig, and amounts to 1,529, of whom 43 have died of wounds or disease; 38 are wounded; and missing; 3 missing; and 8 prisoners. The Navy contains 71 Old Cliftonians, and three are serving in the ranks of the French Army and one in the Belgian Army. Ten O. C. officers have the D.S.O.

Red Cross Society of China.
The Red Cross Society of China two years ago issued membership medals to Misses Neilson, Alma, Ervine, Johnson, Riordan and Mary Jenkins for voluntary services in connection with its medical relief work at Wuchang and Hankow during the revolution in 1911 under the direction of Dr. Stefford M. Cox. The medals, together with those from Vice-President Li Yuan-hong, have remained with the Society's Central Committee at Shanghai as the Society, has so far been unable to trace the addresses of the ladies. It is hoped that the ladies concerned or their friends will kindly inform the Central Committee of the addresses to which the medals can be sent.

The Boy Scouts' Help.
Capt. Price mentions that in London alone 22,000 Boy Scouts were mobilized for the war, and employed on these duties:—Handing out notices to inhabitants, and other duties connected with billeting, commanding, warning, &c. Carrying out communications by means of despatch riders, signallers, wireless, &c. Guarding and patrolling bridges, railways, telegraph lines, &c., against damage by individual spies. Collecting information as to supplies, transport, &c. available. Carrying out organized relief measures among inhabitants. Helping families of men employed in defence duties, or sick or wounded. Establishing first aid, dressing, or nursing stations, refuges, dispensaries, soup kitchens, &c., in their club rooms. Acting as guides, orderlies, &c. Forwarding despatches dropped by aircraft. Sea Scouts watching estuaries and ports, guiding vessels in unbuoyed channels, or showing lights to friendly vessels, &c., and assisting coast guards. Thousands of ex-scouts are in the Army and Navy, and arrangements are talked of for utilising the Scout troops if necessary later on, as feeders of the Kitchener armies and Territorial battalions.

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The following leading articles are from the *Philadelphia Public Ledger* of February 5:—

No Shelter for Alien Criminals.

For the honour of American jurisprudence, and incidentally of American common sense, it is to be hoped that no technicalities will stand in the way of the prompt surrender to Canada of the bridge dynamiter. This country cannot be made the refuge for criminals from other lands, and its courts and its diplomatic machinery must not be made the agencies for so absurd a precedent as would be created by a refusal to honour the Canadian requisition. It is an insult to American intelligence to pretend that a partisan of one of the belligerents in Europe can begin "war" on his own account, commit a crime on the frontier of a neutral country and then claim immunity on the ground that his act was "political."

The raising of a fund by certain pro-Germans in New York for the defence of the dynamiter is one of the most flagrant of the many violations of the spirit of American neutrality. If the German sympathizers in this country really wanted to demonstrate to their fellow countrymen the breadth and loftiness of their patriotism they have missed their greatest opportunity. They should have united in the demand for the surrender to Canada of a zealot who under the pretence of furthering the German cause not only violated the neutrality of the country which had given him sanctuary, but committed a senseless crime against the safety of thousands of innocent non-combatant railway passengers.

But to pretend that such a crime is "political" and to strive to protect the criminal from the punishment that is his due is a deliberate invitation to other partisans to begin a guerilla warfare and to use the soil of the United States as a basis of operations.

A Dead Measure.

Whatever the final outcome of the struggle in the Senate over the ship purchase bill may be, it is no exaggeration to describe it as a dead measure. To carry it after such a bitter fight and with so many concessions to its opponents would be a Pyrrhic victory for the Administration. A provision against buying interned belligerent ships means that the bill cannot achieve its purpose in the mere matter of getting enough tonnage; none of its supporters, in spite of their boasts, can show where such tonnage is to be got elsewhere. If the principle of Government ownership is at stake, then limiting the operation of the bill to a fixed period is a fatal concession. If the question of emergency only is to be considered, then economic conditions, unassisted by the Government,

are likely to terminate that emergency before the bill takes effect. The President ought to swallow that pride of opinion which he declares he does not possess and yield in this matter. Even if the bill had been able to accomplish all that he thought it would, it was not worth the price he has already paid for it. In its present tattered condition he is less than ever justified in trying to force it through at the expense of much important legislation. He can do much to set himself right by acknowledging his mistake and repairing it. There is neither courage nor wisdom in sticking to a purpose which is plainly impossible of fulfilment.

The German Version of Neutrality.

If the Administration is wise it will give short shrift to the demand of the German Government through its Ambassador at Washington that the shipment of arms to the Allies must be stopped unless food cargoes from this country for German ports are duly delivered. There is no argument in support of such a demand which has any standing in international law. The State Department has already emphasised the undoubted right of American exporters to deal with belligerents even though the goods be contraband; and the fact that Germany cannot buy such goods because she has not the control of the sea has no bearing whatever upon the general principle.

Nor, even if the United States should hold that the British declaration of the contraband nature of foodstuffs destined for Germany is unsound in international law and protest against it, should the matter of the shipment of arms be brought into the issue. A belligerent is justified in placing provisions in the category of conditional contraband if it believes that they are being used for military purposes. In the present case the United States cannot controvert the principle, however it may dispute the application of it. To be told by another Government that it must do so, or else withdraw a right from its citizens they are fully entitled to enjoy, is intolerable. If Germany, fighting for her life, can take such an insolent attitude as this, what might not be expected of Germany victorious?

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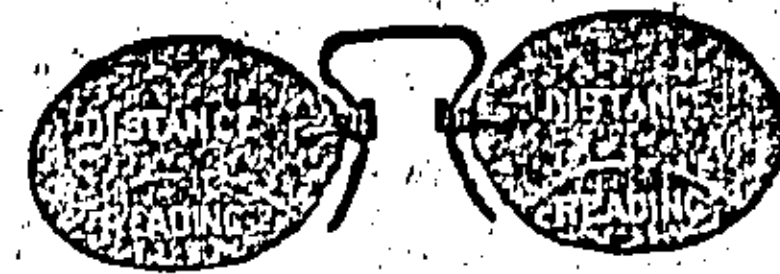
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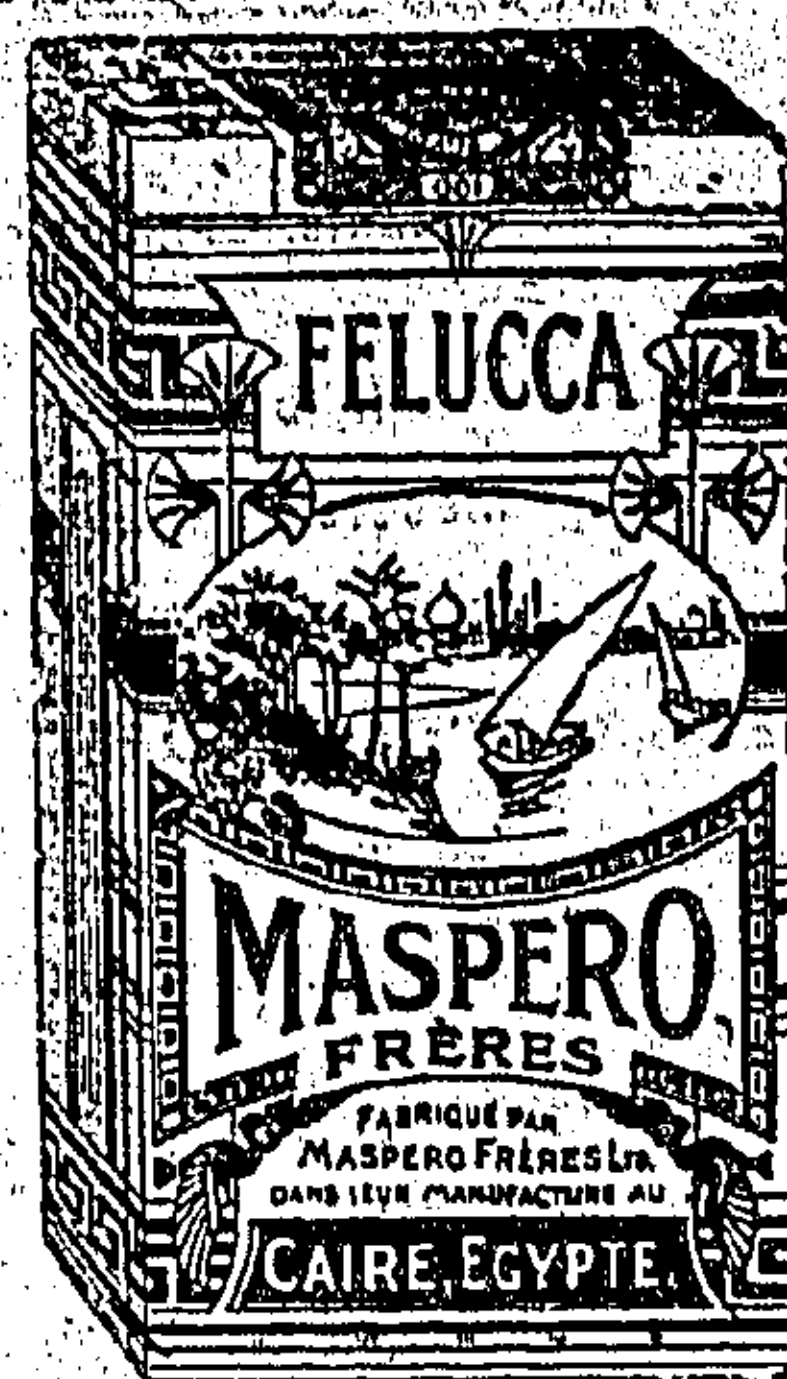
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HONGKONG, THURSDAY, MARCH 11, 1915.

HONGKONG AND CLEVERNESS.

"I have often wondered what does constitute cleverness in Hongkong," says the writer of a letter which we published on Tuesday. As a rough guess, we should say that cleverness in Hongkong is pretty much what it is in other parts of the world: not by any means too plentiful, yet not so lacking as the cynic and the Superior Person would have us believe. Newspaper work brings one into touch with a larger number of grades of human society than do most occupations, and, so far as we have been able to observe, the number of non-clever people in this Colony is far smaller than would be found in the average town at home whose population was approximately equal to the European population here. Hongkong, we should say, is remarkable rather for its amount of unused and misused cleverness than for the absence of that valuable commodity.

At the risk of being charged with undue pessimism, we would venture to doubt if the present state of things will ever be altered. The climate and the nature of the average occupation are, as most men here know to their cost, more or less hostile to serious reading, serious thought, or serious persevering in any hobby that calls for cleverness into play or prevents it from becoming rusty. Among all walks of European life here clever musicians, actors, painters, lecturers, writers and talkers have been discovered, at one time or another. We have seen amateur acting in this Colony that was far superior to that often witnessed in reputable theatres at home; and both vocal and instrumental music, that would not disgrace a London concert hall, has been heard here on sundry occasions. That such evidences of cleverness are common, we will not pretend; and if it be remembered that the Hongkong community is, before all else, a business one, we shall not expect too much in art or literature or deep thought from it. For commerce is an exacting mistress, who, when a man has once given his soul into her keeping, will hardly let him out of her sight. The person whose mind is bent on money transactions would be more than human if he could still devote several hours of his evening to detached thinking or to some artistic or scientific pursuit. It is well that, in a number of instances, he can still devote himself to sport.

To sport, after business, most of the latent Hongkong cleverness has directed itself; and the result is not so very regrettable on one. The people who are disappointed in this Colony are those who have asked too much of it. They have come out from home full of energy, and of interest in bigger things than those which make up our daily life here; but the spirit within them is soon quenched by their encountering an indifference and an appalling snobishness which they do not feel strong enough to combat; the climate and the general atmosphere of make-do take a hold on them; and, within a year or so, there is nothing to distinguish them from the lukewarm and somewhat self-satisfied beings who chilled them on their first coming to this fair Colony. Of course there are stupid people here, as elsewhere; men whom sheer chance or sheer influence has foisted into posts where their monthly salary is just five times as much as any employer in his right mind at home would pay them; but these are very decidedly in the minority. There are, too, men who are not a success at their own particular work, who would yet shine in some other walk in life; a man—even a Government official—is not necessarily a dolt because he performs badly one particular task. There is, we reiterate, abundance of cleverness here; but it will never manifest itself in the right way so long as stumpy butcher-and-baker social distinctions and a hopeless lack of organization remain in the foreground; so long, in other words, as Hongkong continues to be Hongkong.

Bands for the Troops.

Kipling has added to the many services that he has done the Empire, by his appeal for bands for the new army. His rare combination of rigid practicality and extensive psychological insight usually shows him what is wrong in a system or a movement before the majority of people have even started to think about the matter; so it is nothing surprising that he should have taken up this very far from unimportant question. Music—and particularly martial music—could almost be styled a primitive instinct; and, at a time like this, it is not well that such an instinct should go unsatisfied. If Britishers are not a musical race in the highest sense of the term, they at least like melody—be it good, indifferent or idiotic; and they can barely conceive of its absence from their every-day life. It is associated in their minds with church, the theatre and almost everything else; even a cinematograph show that endeavoured to exist without a piano would fail. The secret of the major part of the Salvation Army's success, where so many sects have failed, lies in its band; and, in the old days, the presence of a military band in a village or country town at home was a safe guarantee that the recruiting sergeant would find plenty of young men willing to join the colours then and there. By all means let Tommy have his music, and plenty of it.

German and British Concert.

Nearly fifty years ago, Tolstoi wrote (after having summed up the several ways in which various nationalities show their vanity): "A conceited German is the worst of all, and the most hardened of all, and the most repulsive of all; for he imagines that he possesses the truth in a science of his own invention which is to him absolute truth." Those of our readers who, in the past, have mixed intimately among Germans, will scarcely want to deny that Tolstoi knew what he was talking about. If they are inclined to doubt the accuracy of his insight, let them further read what he has to say of their own nationality. "An Englishman is conceited on the ground of being a citizen of the best constituted State in the world, and also because he, as an Englishman, always knows what is the correct thing to do, and knows that everything that he, as an Englishman, does do is indisputably the correct thing." The man who can "hit Britishers off with such delightful exactitude is scarcely likely to be far wrong in his diagnosis of a people whom he knew infinitely better than he knew the British.

The Infallibles.

"True enough it is that the average German is his own infallible Pope," "I say it; therefore it must be right," is his doctrine over nine-tenths of the affairs of daily life. Pride, according to the old saw, goes before a fall; and the punishment for this spirit is, and is going to be, a terrible one. The greater number of the Prussians, their omniscient, but apparently not quite omnipotent, Ruler included, honestly did not believe it possible for any country to defeat them. Their confidence in themselves had become so ingrained that it was an actual physical impossibility for them to conceive of any other nation's having the power to drub them. The amiable, and before all things modest, Nietzsche had taught them to believe—not in the invincibility of Germany (that would have been bad enough) but that they personally could not go wrong or be "mistaken in their judgment," even if they tried. From him they learned that, if they followed his gospel religiously, they would be the Elect, for whom neither error nor sin existed; and that modesty, humility, reasonable self-distrust were vices—good enough, meant for the vulgar herd, but to be abhorred of all faithful Supermen. What could one expect from a generation fed on such doctrines? The essential conceit was there already; had existed for hundreds of years before their modern prophet was ever heard of; and, after he had come to fill and water and foster it with outrageous nonsense which could never have got a hearing in any other country than Germany, their last state became very naturally worse than their first.

DAY BY DAY.

RIGHTLY TO BE GREAT, IS NOT TO STIR WITHOUT GREAT ARGUMENT. BUT GREATLY TO FIND QUARREL IN A STRAW, WHEN HONOURS ARE AT THE STAKE.—Hamlet.

The Weather.
Lower level 8 a.m. Temp. 69; dull.
At the Peak 8 a.m. Temp. 60; fog.

Count the Columns.
Yesterday the Telegraph published 33 columns of solid reading matter. To-day there will be 34 published.

The Mails.
Siberian Mail.—Arrived per s.s. Sardinia to-day.
English Mail.—Due per s.s. Nubia to-morrow.
Siberian Mail.—Closed per s.s. Lushow at 3 p.m. to-day.
English Mail.—Closes per s.s. Sardinia to-morrow at 11 a.m.

Up to the Minute—Share Market News.
Closing prices:—
China Fires.—\$145, sellers.
Douglases.—\$285, buyers.
Steamboats.—\$21, sales.
Raub.—\$240, sales.
China Providents.—\$7.35 buyers.
Green Islands.—\$5.30, sales.
Ropes.—\$28, sales and buyers.

The Dollar.
The rate of the dollar on demand to-day is 9.13-16d.

P. C. Goucher.
We are informed that P. C. Goucher's condition is just about the same.

After the Fight.
A Chinese coolie injured in fighting has been admitted to the Government Civil Hospital.

Lankat Output.
Messrs. Wright and Hornby advise us that the Lankat output for yesterday was 250 tons.

Lost Promissory Note.
Chan Yuk-ming, manager of a shop in Des Voeux Road, has reported to the Police that he has lost a promissory note valued at \$5,000.

The Tiger.
Mee Cheong sends us an excellent photograph of the tiger, trussed to a bamboo pole, as the beast was untrussed at the railway station.

Coming Marriage.
The marriage arranged between Mr. Edward Munco Gull, of Shanghai, and Beatrice, widow of the late H. Timbrell Balstrode, M.A., M.D., of H.M. Local Government Board, will take place in China about the end of March.

Received by the King.
On the 8th ult., at Buckingham Palace, Captain the Hon. Hubert Brand, R.N., had the honour of being received by His Majesty upon relinquishing his appointment as His Majesty's Naval Attache at Tokyo.

Watch and Chain Stolen.
W.J. Kanney, of the Wyndham Hotel, has complained to the police that between one and five o'clock yesterday morning some person entered his room and stole a gold watch, chain and appendage, to the total value of \$105.

Lieut. Des Voeux's Will.
Lieutenant Frederick William Des Voeux, aged 24, 2nd Grenadier Guards, who was killed in action at Soupir, France, on Sept. 14 last, younger son of the late Sir William Des Voeux, G.C.M.G., (former Governor of Hongkong) left unentitled property £7,011.

Chinese Minister's Visit.
The Chinese Minister and Mme. Sze on the 5th ult. paid a visit to the Ladies' Emergency Committee of the Navy League, at 47, Grosvenor-square. They expressed great interest in the work and in the hundreds of parcels waiting to be despatched to the Fleet.

Reserve Guard.
The Volunteer Reserve order, dealing with the main guard, which we published yesterday, should read as follows:—"2 officers and 100 rank and file of the Reserve will relieve this guard at 10 p.m. on Saturday, March 13th, and will remain on duty until 7 a.m. on Saturday, March 20th."

Victoria Theatre.
There was a fairly good house at the Victoria Theatre last night. The war pictures were again good, and very full of interest. The song and dance turn of Miss Emilia Socolska, a Russian artiste who has been fulfilling a two nights' engagement at the Victoria, was received with great applause, and the two dramatic films "White Hawk" and "A Desperate Struggle" were fully appreciated.

NOTES ON THE CRISIS.

GERMAN SUBMARINE ACTIVITY.

And Our Reply Thereto.

The German submarines are still on the warpath. Three more British merchantmen have been accounted for, and the circumstances make it clear that the work of destruction was carried out by three separate submarines—one on the south coast, another on the east and yet a third on the west. All the vessels were sunk on Tuesday morning. There may not be any connection between the facts, but it is worth noticing that this fresh display of "frightfulness" follows immediately on the announcement that the Admiralty will not extend honourable treatment to the captured officers and men of the sunken submarine U8. It may be nothing more than a mere coincidence, of course.

Pirates.

Be that as it may, the latest raid still further justifies the Admiralty in the stand it has taken. It would even warrant the treatment suggested by Lord Charles Bessborough, who advocates, with characteristic bluntness, that Germans captured from submarines should be dealt with as pirates and strung from the yard-arm by the neck. For pirates they undoubtedly are. That much has long since been established, and it is strengthened by the facts concerning the sinking of the *atamer Tangianen*, which was obviously torpedoed without notice, since only one man was saved out of a crew of 38. Not only is such an act as this in conflict with the dictates of humanity, but it runs counter to all conceptions of warfare as observed by civilised Powers.

Getting Our Own Back.

As we write, news comes to land which more than counterbalances the loss of the three little merchant ships—namely, the announcement of the sinking of yet another of the enemy's submarines. In this instance the happy stroke has been accomplished by a British destroyer—a fact which proves that our Navy is keenly alive to the situation and is showing the utmost vigilance in keeping a sharp look-out for these elusive craft. The possibility is that the U 20, which has now been accounted for, is one of the submarines which sank one of the three merchant ships on Tuesday. In which case we have quickly got our own back.

Ship for Ship.

Taking the figures given out by the Admiralty, there is not the least ground for complaint. These show that since February 25 (including the three sunk on Tuesday) only four of our merchant steamers have been sunk, while within the same period at least four, and possibly five, German submarines have been despatched. When we remember the small number of submarines knocking about and then take into account the constant stream of shipping to and from the British Isles, it will be acknowledged that the relative losses reveal a proportion which is absurdly in our favour. It is a case of craft per craft, with this important distinction—that the craft we sink are units of the German Navy while the enemy can only wreak his vengeance on harmless merchant steamers.

PHOTOGRAPH OF THE TIGER.

An excellent opportunity of securing a splendid photograph of the tiger which was killed near Fanling on Monday will be given by the public, inasmuch as a fine bromide picture of the beast will be attached to the cover of the *Weekly Telegraph*, ready on Saturday.

The edition will also contain the full story of the tiger's exploits, and the whole, including the photograph, sells at 25 cents.

KOWLOON RAILWAY STATION.

No Clock to be Provided at Present.

The Public Works Committee had before it at its last meeting the question of the provision of a turret clock for the Kowloon Railway Station, and reported as follows at this afternoon's meeting of the Legislative Council:—

The Chairman laid before the Committee an indent which had been submitted by the manager for a turret clock for the new terminal station at Kowloon Point. The clock was estimated to cost, exclusive of freight, insurance, etc., and without chiming, \$499. 1s. 4d. If Westminster chiming was added, the additional cost would be about \$210, bringing the total cost up to \$709. 1s. 4d.

The Chairman read a minute by His Excellency the Governor suggesting that, as the railway was still far from being a paying concern and as the clock would have to be paid for out of borrowed money, the matter should be deferred for the present.

The Committee endorsed His Excellency's suggestion that the question of providing a clock should be deferred meanwhile.

THE TYPHOON REFUGE.

The Coping of the Outer Slope of the Breakwater.

At this afternoon's meeting of the Legislative Council, the Public Works Committee submitted the following report concerning the Mongkok typhoon refuge, considered at its meeting on February 26:—

The Chairman submitted a proposal to substitute a coping of mass concrete, which would form a low parapet along the top of the outer slope of the breakwater, for the coping shown on the contract drawings. The proposed coping would, if adopted, add 2 feet to the effective height of the breakwater and would tend to deflect and break up any waves which might run up the outer face during typhoons. The estimated additional cost of the proposal was \$6,500. Funds were available to cover the additional cost.

The Committee unanimously agreed to recommend that the proposal be adopted.

HONGKONG ROADS.

Adoption of a New Scheme for Surfacing.

The report of the proceedings of the Public Works Committee held on February 26, which was laid before the Legislative Council this afternoon, contained the following with regard to the paving of main roads in Hongkong:—

The Chairman submitted a proposal to substitute asphaltic concrete surfacing for the compressed asphaltic surfacing originally proposed to be laid on certain main roads in the City where paving of a high-class description was considered desirable. He mentioned that the Standard Oil Company had tendered to lay asphaltic concrete surfacing and to maintain it for a period of three years and that, as it appeared to be a very durable material and as the cost of it would amount to about \$4.55 per sq. yard compared with \$8.25 for compressed asphalt, great economy would result from its use. For the preparation and use of the material, which, like compressed asphalt, had to be laid hot, certain plant, including a motor-wagon to ensure rapid delivery at the point where it was to be laid, would be required. The estimated outlay on such plant was \$10,000.

After full discussion, the Committee unanimously agreed to recommend that that portion of Des Voeux Road, extending from Pedder Street to Jubilee Street, should be laid with asphaltic concrete surfacing and that the requisite plant should be purchased.

A YOUNG SOLDIER'S LETTER.

Shivered with Pride of My Regiment.

The following letter, received by a resident of Hongkong from her son who has volunteered for service in the new Army, shows the feeling which animates the young British soldier:—

Lyminge, Kent.

My dear Mother,
Just a few lines to let you know how yesterday, passed off. We started at 10 a.m., and reached Canterbury about 12 o'clock and we were met by the Band of the 3rd Buffs, who played us into barracks to the tune of the Buffs' Regimental March. My word it was stirring! We fell out for 20 minutes and then we, "O" Coy., escorted the Colours of the 2nd Battalion to Canterbury Cathedral, followed by other Companies. Our Company, of course, had fixed bayonets, and with colours in our midst, and bands playing all the way, we made a fine sight. I tell you I would not have missed it for worlds, and although it was boiling hot, I shivered all the way with the pride of my regiment. I think it was the proudest and grandest time of my life. You, dear Mother, cannot understand the wonderful feeling one has when you are escorting your regiment's colours. It was simply great. I am just writing this to let you know what I feel like. I cannot describe my feelings coherently. I would willingly give all I possess to have it over again. Well, there is no news here other than what I have detailed.

My love to all,
Your affectionate son,
P. S.—I think I shall have to order a uniform with a 90-inch chest, as I am too full up with pride.—I swank!!

NEW STEAMER.

Interesting Launch at Kowloon Dock.

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The launch, in view of the existing conditions, was quite of a private nature and there was no ceremony of any sort.

ANOTHER TIGER?

Injured Farmer Sent to Hospital.

A farmer of San Yuk Wei village, Lan Pak Tao, has been admitted to the Government Civil Hospital suffering from injuries, the result of being mauled by a tiger.

It is reported that another man was also mauled, but he has refused to go into hospital.

THE ROYAL HONGKONG YACHT CLUB.

Handicap Class.

The 8th of the series of the championship races for this class was sailed on Saturday last. Course:—Lyceum Beacon (P.) Kowloon Rock (E.), Lyceum Beacon (S.). Distance: 9.2 miles.

Name	Handicap	Finishing Time	Corrected Time
Dione	Scratch	5.02.05	5.02.05
La Linda	2.18	4.49.02	4.46.44
Rolla	3.04	5.05.20	5.02.16
Kathleen	6.03	5.03.15	4.57.07
Colleen	6.03	5.01.40	4.55.32
Dorothea	9.12	5.03.15	4.54.03
Ayesha	10.44	5.08.38	4.57.52

Name	Pos. for race	Pos. to date
(1) La Linda	8	42
(2) Dorothea	8	34
(3) Colleen	5	35
(4) Kathleen	4	22
(5) Ayesha	3	10
(6) Dione	2	39
(7) Rolla (Dis-qualified)	0	11

One Design Class.
Course: Mark Buoy Quarry Bay (P.), Chunnel Rock (P.), Kowloon Rock (P.), Chunnel Rock (S.), Mark Buoy Quarry Bay (S.). Distance: 7.16 miles.

Name	Finishing Time	Pos. for race	Pos. to date
Ailsa	4	31	49
Allanah	4	10	29
Bonita	D. N. S.		
Daphne	4	20	47
Halcyon	D. N. S.		

Name	Pos. for race	Pos. to date
(1) Allanah	6	23
(2) Daphne	4	19
(3) Ailsa	3	27
— Bonita	—	11
— Halcyon	—	0

The 4th Cruiser Race, sailed on Sunday, 28th February, round the Island (S.), distance 24 miles, resulted as follows:—

Name	Handicap	Finishing Time	Corrected Time
Miranda	Scratch	4.34.25	4.34.25
Queen Bee	—	5.28.30	4.26.30
Saipa	2.00	D.N.S.	—
Oanone	2.00	5.28.34	5.26.34
Irene	24.00	D.N.S.	—
Erin	24.00	D.N.S.	—
Iris	24.00	D.N.S.	—
Scottengden	28.00	6.05.30	5.37.30
Dorothy II	36.00	6.10.54	5.34.54
Tattian	108.00	D.N.F.	—
Flora	108.00	D.N.F.	—

Name	Pos. for race	Pos. to date
(1) Miranda	12	36
(2) Oanone	10	28
(3) Queen Bee	9	30
(4) Dorothy II	8	24
(5) Scottengden	7	36
— Erin	—	18
— Flora	—	17
— Irene	—	9
— Iris	—	—
— Tattian	—	—
— Snipe	—	—

FOOTBALL.

Yesterday's "Soccer" and Rugby Matches.

In the United Services League, the Navy yesterday added two more points to their total as the result of a match with the Hongkong F.C. on the latter's ground by the only three goals scored in the match. The margin is too large to give any satisfactory criterion for judging the merits of the teams and at first, until Palmer opened the score, it looked as though the Club should have secured the deciding point. But after that they fell off considerably, and the Navy had matters pretty much their own way. Hopper and Batterham were the other scorers for the winners.

The Rugby Game.
The fixture arranged between the Club and the Navy for a Rugby contest, owing to the failure of the Navy to put a full team into the field, was something of a scratch game after all. Campbell and Bone were in the centre of the Naval picture, while Hogarty did well for the Club. The game, which was watched by a large number of spectators, was much enjoyed and ended in a win for the Navy by 20 points (four goals) to two goals one try (13 points).

PRINCESS MARY'S GIFT BOOK.

A Publication for a Worthy Fund.

We have received from the publishers, Messrs. Hodder and Stoughton, St. Paul's House, Warwick Square, London, E.C., a copy of Princess Mary's Gift Book. All profits from the sale are going to the Queen's "Work for Women" Fund, which is acting, in conjunction with the National Relief Fund, and we understand that the demand has been so colossal that nearly 400,000 copies have already been sold, and that the publishers have already paid over to the Fund a sum of £10,000 on account of profits.

At the price of 2/6 net this is probably the most wonderful volume ever placed on the market. From the frontispiece portrait of Princess Mary, specially painted for the book, facing Her Royal Highness's thanks to "the Authors and Artists who have so generously contributed to my Gift Book," to the last page, with its delightful illustration by E. J. Sullivan, the book is full of beauty and charm.

Princess Mary's Gift Book contains new stories and articles by the following famous authors:

Sir J. M. Barrie contributes a deliciously humorous story entitled "A Holiday in B'd"; G. A. Birmingham, the famous author of "General John Regan," is represented by a characteristic Irish story entitled "The Spy"; Hall Caine has written a wonderful "life poem" of the sea entitled "Charles the Cox"; Sir Arthur Conan Doyle contributes "Bimbashi Joyce," a story of Egypt which will thrill every reader; J. H. Fabre, the veteran French author known as "The Insects' Homer," Ellen Thorneycroft Fowler, the famous author of "Concerning Isabel Carnaby," who, in "An Angel of God," tells of the way eyes are opened to see the angel hosts; Charles Garvice, whose "Model Soldier" is a charming love story of the present war; Sir H. Rider Haggard tells a glorious story of heroism in South Africa in "Majesty the Duck"; Beatrice Harraden contributes a story of ancient times with a lesson for to-day; the Bishop of London recounts his experiences in Camp; A. E. W. Mason pictures the days of the Siege of Paris; the Baroness Orczy, author of the world-famous "Scarlet Pimpernel," gives us an entirely new Scarlet Pimpernel story; W. Pett Ridges a charmingly humorous and tender story of a girl who wanted "everything different"; Annie S. Swan a tale of gallant Belgium; Kate Douglas Wiggin, author of "Rebecca of Sunnybrook Farm," a gem of a story in "Fleur-de-Lis."

In addition to these stories, there are poems by Ralph Connor, the famous Canadian novelist, who has contributed a thrilling war poem entitled "Canada's Word"; Lady Sybil Grant, whose delightful series entitled "Let's Pretend" is most characteristically illustrated by Arthur Rackham, the famous illustrator of "Peter Pan"; Rudyard Kipling, who has given permission for the inclusion in this volume of his famous poem "Big Steamers"; Alfred Noyes, whose "Spell for a Fairy" is a most moving and delicate piece of work; and John Oxenham, who is represented by a poem entitled "What Can a Little Chap Do?" which is already being quoted far and wide.

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TELEGRAMS.

WELSH DISESTABLISHMENT.

ENFORCEMENT POSTPONED.

(Reuter's Service To The "Telegraph.") London, Received March 10. In the House of Lords, Earl Beauchamp announced a compromise on the Welsh Disestablishment Bill whereby its enforcement will be postponed for six months after the conclusion of the war. Lord Lansdowne and the Archbishop of Canterbury accepted this proposal.

THE MEXICAN TROUBLE.

AMERICANS WARNED TO LEAVE.

London, Received March 10. Reuter's correspondent at Washington states that President Wilson has ordered two battleships to proceed from Guadalupe to Vera Cruz. British Steamer Seized. It is reported that Carranza has seized a British steamer and imprisoned the captain.

Reuter's correspondent at Washington reports that Mr. Bryan (Secretary of State) has again warned Americans to leave Mexico, stating that the Government will endeavour to provide transportation.

OBITUARY.

SIR JAMES DONALDSON.

London, Received March 10. The death is announced of Sir James Donaldson, LL.D., Vice-Chancellor and Principal of the University of St. Andrews, and Principal of the United College of St. Salvator and St. Leonard, at the age of 84.

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THE YARN TRADE.

A Featureless Market Reported.

Messrs. Polishwalla and Kotwall, in their yarn report dated March 11, state:—Our last report was dated 26th ult. per s.s. Malta.

During the past fortnight our market has been quite featureless. Nominally, prices remain unchanged, but the Chinese dealers amongst themselves have been doing a hand-to-mouth business at two to three dollars below current rates. Consequently, importers have had to mark time, the sales from first hands which have come under our notice being the insignificant total of 900 bales. Bombay market is reported quiet but steady. Closing tone, dull. Total sales, 980 bales. Unsold stocks and undelivered in godowns, 74,000 bales.

Arrivals.—The mail str. Sardinia from Bombay, and str. Kotsang from Calcutta have brought in 5,300 bales for Hongkong, and 4,000 bales for Shanghai. Shipment from Hongkong to Shanghai, 800 bales.

Japanese Yarn.—Prices declined three to four dollars. Sales reported are:—100 bales Yellow Joss No. 20 at \$114 and 100 bales Seta No. 20 at \$117.

Raw Cotton.—No sales Bengal or Chinese. Quotation:—Bengal, at \$16 to \$20; Chinese, \$29 to \$25 per picul.

THE VOLUNTEER RESERVES.

Orders issued to-day by Major Wakeman, Commanding H. K. V.R., state:—

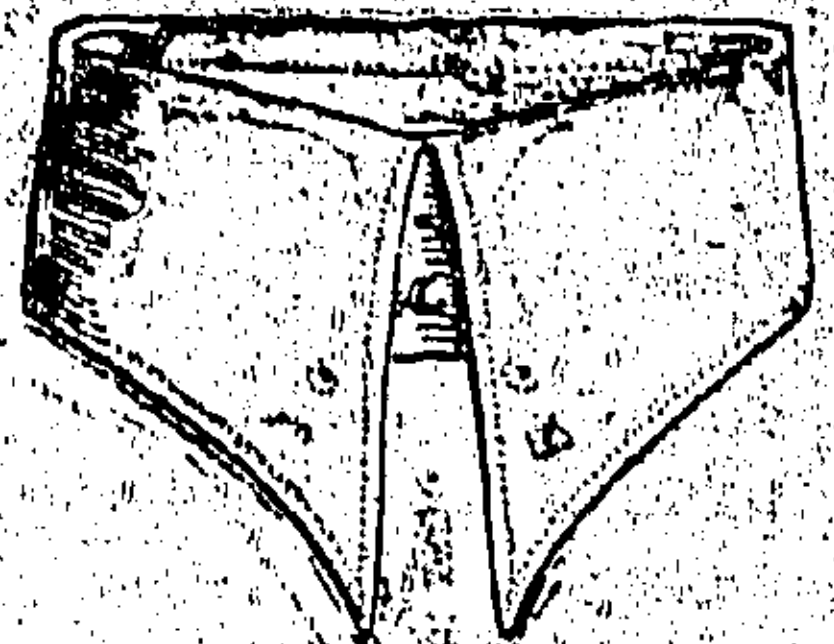
Main Guard:—The following members will parade at Volunteer Headquarters (Garden Road) in marching order, with 150 rounds of ammunition at the times stated against each group:—Saturday, March 13th, at 7 a.m., Corp. Olson, Ptes. E. Abraham, J. Baker and J. Mead. Saturday, March 13th, at 7 p.m., Sergt. Oxberry, Ptes. J. H. Sath, W. O. Jack, H. Sammers, F. W. Stapleton, G. A. Woodcock and W. J. Tatcher. Saturday, March 13th, at 10.15 p.m., Ptes. J. E. Wood, F. Browne, E. V. Carmichael, H. Dinneen, H. Tobias and W. B. A. Hore. Sunday, March 14th, at 7 a.m., Corp. Harvey, Ptes. H. C. Sandford, F. H. Thomas and H. K. Holmes. Sunday, March 14th, at 7 p.m., Sergt. Franklin, Ptes. S. H. Dutton, R. Ormiston, G. W. Gegg, H. Sykes, H. M. Bain and A. Forbes. Sunday, March 14th, at 10.15 p.m., Ptes. E. H. Ray, K. McLennan, H. Sath, W. Wright, A. Gibbs and O. B. Byers.

HONGKONG CRICKET CLUB.

The following will represent the Hongkong Cricket Club against the Civil Service Club on the Club ground on Saturday 12th March; play will commence at 2.15 p.m.—R. Hancock, (Captain), Major F. J. Bowes, A. L. Gace, P. Jacks, B. Kennedy, M. M. Mass, E. J. R. Mitchell, T. E. Pearce, Major T. A. Robertson, B. P. Thursfield, and H. H. T. lar.

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Miyasaki	16,000 "	" 6th May
Kitano	16,000 "	" 20th May
Fushima	25,000 "	" 3rd June

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Steamers.	Displacement.	Leave Hongkong.
Aki Maru	12,500 tons	Tuesday, 23rd March
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Steamships.	Captain	Leaving.
Halching	W. C. Passmore.	FRI., 12th Mar. at 1 p.m.
Haitan	J. W. Evans	TUES., 16th Mar. at 1 p.m.
Halyang	A. E. Hodgins	FRI., 19th Mar. at 1 p.m.

FOR SWATOW.

Haimun	A. H. Stewart	SUN., 14th Mar. at 10 a.m.
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ment. Five of the vessels be-
longed to the Honsa line, and
one each to the Hamburg-Ameri-
can (Alesia), German, Australian,
and Azioni, Trieste.

The Loose Commerce Raiders.

In the course of his conver-
sation with a representative of the
Vatin, Mr. Churchill, speaking of
the four vessels—Karlsruhe,
Dresden, Kronprinz Wilhelm,
and Prinz Eitel Friedrich—which
are still at liberty, is reported to
have said:—"We cannot tell
in what out-of-the-way harbours,
in what rivers, somewhere in the
American Continent, those
cruisers are hidden; but we do
know that they find it necessary
to conceal themselves." The
reports, therefore, that the Kar-
lsruhe and Dresden had been
accounted for are manifestly
inaccurate, while if the two
armed merchant ships are hiding
somewhere in the American
Continent they cannot be a
menace in the Indian Ocean.
It should relieve the minds
of all interested in the Eastern
trade to know that the report
about the Eitel Friedrich having
turned her attention to the scene
of the Emden's activities is in-
correct. It is to be hoped she
will not get into Eastern waters.
The discovery and destruction of
these cruisers is largely a matter
of time, patience, and good luck.

The World's Shipbuilding.
According to the annual
summary issued by Lloyd's Re-
gister of Shipping, during 1914
650 vessels, of 1,033,553 tons
gross, were launched in the
United Kingdom. The output
of mercantile tonnage shows a
decrease of 248,600 tons on that
of the previous year, which was
the highest ever reached. Of the
total output, 75 2/5 per cent., or
1,273,530 tons, has been built for
registration in the United King-
dom. The amount of tonnage
launched for other countries dur-
ing 1914 was 410,023 tons,
forming 24 1/2 per cent. of the total
output, as compared with over
21 1/2 per cent. in 1913, nearly 24
per cent. in 1912, 22 1/2 per cent.
in 1911, 19 1/2 per cent. in 1910,
24 2/5 per cent. in 1909, 40 per
cent. in 1908, and 34 per
cent. in 1907. The Clyde
district occupies the first place
among the shipbuilding centres
of the country, showing an output
of 444,621 tons (Glasgow 288,103
tons and Greenock 190,518 tons).
Then follow the Tyne (315,585
tons), the Wear (277,528 tons),
Belfast (239,819 tons), Middles-
brough (131,185 tons), and
Hartlepool (124,419 tons). Of
the vessels launched in the United
Kingdom during the year, two
steamships, with a total tonnage
of 13,618 tons, were built
for Japan, against one vessel
in each of the two preced-
ing years. With regard to
the output of other countries, it
is noted that the tonnage launched
to Japan during the year (85,861
tons) is nearly 33 per cent. higher
than the output for 1913, and
exceeds all previous totals. It
comprises three steamers of be-
tween 11,000 and 12,000 tons
each, and one steamer of 7,345
tons, fitted with geared turbine
engines. The remainder of the
total is composed of vessels of
small tonnage, of which 28 vessels
(61,038 tons), were built at Kobe
and Osaka, five vessels (32,623
tons) at Nagasaki, and one (2,200
tons) elsewhere in Japan.

Freight Rates.

There is at present no sign of
any immediate weakening of
freight rates, says the London and
China Express of February 5.
A rate of 155s. has just been paid
for a steamer to load cotton at
Galveston for Havre, which com-
pares with about 120s. quoted for
a ship to load at the same port for
Liverpool. The very serious de-
lays at Havre account for some
portion of the exceptionally high
rate to France. Also vessels
available for loading in the United
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S'PORE, Pang & Calcutta	Yatshing	Tues., 16th Mar. at 3 p.m.
TIENTSIN via Weihaiwei	Chipsing	Wed., 17th Mar. at daylight
SHANGHAI	Choysang	Thurs., 18th Mar. at daylight
TIENTSIN	Chongsang	Fri., 19th Mar. at daylight
SANDAKAN via Jesselton	Mausang	Sat., 20th Mar. at noon
MANILA	Yuensang	Sat., 20th Mar. at 3 p.m.
S'PORE, Pang & Calcutta	Namsang	Wed., 24th Mar. at 3 p.m.

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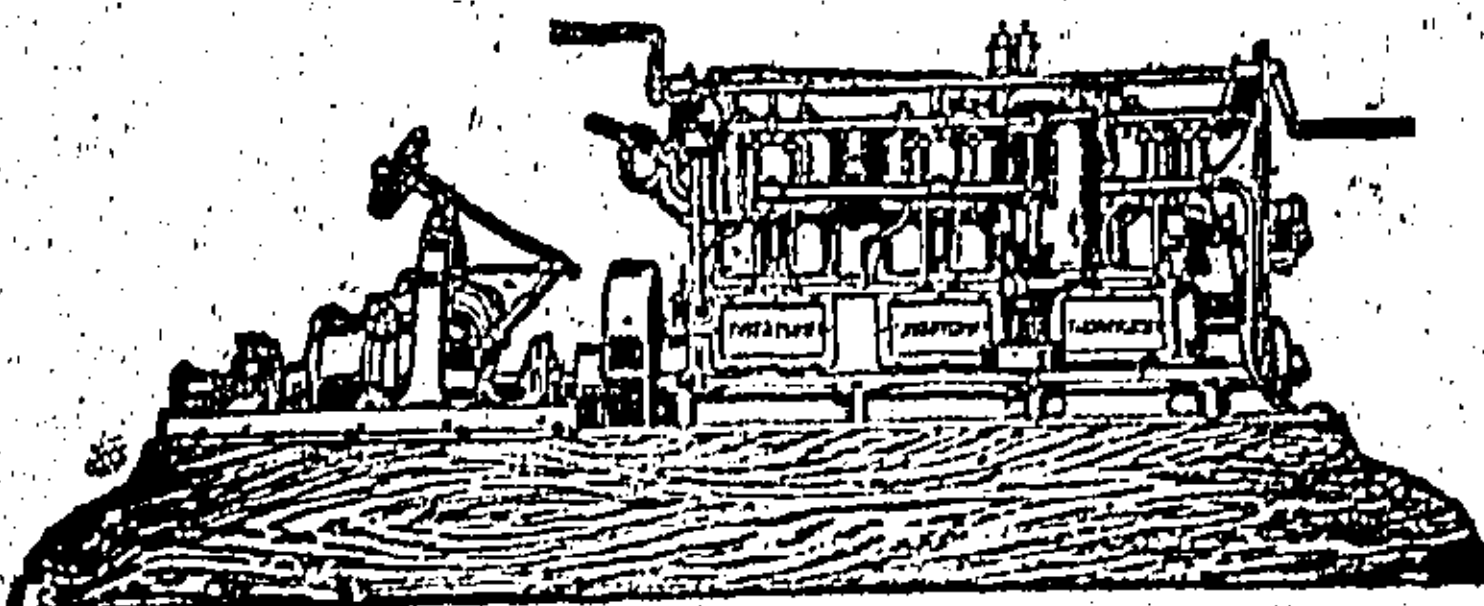
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London	Carshire	J. M. Co.	11, Apr.

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San F'co via S'hai & Japan &c.	Siberia	P. M. Co.	17, Mar.
Via, B.O., T'ma via S'hai & Japan	Chicago M.	O. S. K.	20, Mar.
San Francisco via Shanghai etc.	Chiyo M.	T. K. K.	23, Mar.
V'toria, B.O., & S'tevia S'hai &c.	Aki M.	N. Y. K.	23, Mar.
New York via Panama Canal	St. Egbert	D. & Co.	25, Mar.
Seattle via Nagasaki etc.	Namur	N. Y. K.	27, Mar.
San F'isco via M'la & Japan &c.	Nippon M.	T. K. K.	27, Apr.

AUSTRALIA.

Australian Ports via Manila	St. Albans	G. L. Co.	12, Mar.
Australian Ports via Manila	Tango M.	N. Y. K.	16, Mar.

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Shanghai	Nubia	P. & O.	12, Mar.
Shanghai	Choysang	J. M. Co.	12, Mar.
Shanghai, Kobe and Yokohama	Polynesia	M. M.	12, Mar.
Shanghai & Kobe	Sanuki M.	N. Y. K.	12, Mar.
Singapore, Mauritius & South African Ports	Salamis	B. L. L.	12, Mar.
Shanghai	Shaohsing	B. & S.	13, Mar.
Haiphong	Kojo M.	O. S. K.	13, Mar.
Hoihow & Pakhoi	Wenchow	B. & S.	13, Mar.
Nagasaki, Kobe and Yokohama	Nikko M.	N. Y. K.	15, Mar.
B'bay via S'pore, Malacca & C'bo	Rangoon M.	O. S. K.	15, Mar.
Moji & Kobe	Banri M.	D. & Co.	16, Mar.
S'hai, Y'hama, Kobe and Moji	Itola	D. S. Co.	16, Mar.
Singapore, Penang & Calcutta	Yatshing	J. M. Co.	16, Mar.
Kobe and Moji	Rooshing	J. M. Co.	16, Mar.
Haiphong	Kojo M.	O. S. K.	16, Mar.
S'hai, Moji, Kobe and Yokohama	Nore	P. & O.	18, Mar.
Shanghai	Hangsang	J. M. Co.	18, Mar.
Moji & Kobe	Bombay M.	N. Y. K.	19, Mar.
Shanghai, Y'hama, Kobe & Moji	Umaria	D. S. Co.	22, Mar.
Shanghai, Kobe & Yokohama	E. Simons	M. M.	22, Mar.
S'pore, Pang R'gon & Calcutta	Tosa M.	N. Y. K.	23, Mar.
Bombay via S'pore & Colombo	Luzon M.	O. S. K.	23, Mar.
Shanghai	Tijpanas	J.C.J. L.	Q. desp.
Shanghai	Tijaroem	J.C.J. L.	Q. desp.
Shanghai	Tijkembang	J.C.J. L.	Q. desp.
Shanghai	Tijmanook	J.C.J. L.	Q. desp.
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The P. M. S. SIBERIA will be despatched from this port on Wednesday, March 17, at 1 p.m. for San Francisco, via Shanghai, Nagasaki, Kobe, Yokohama and Honolulu.

ENGLISH MAIL.

The P. & O. S. NUBIA left Singapore for this Port on the 6th instant, y.m., with the outward English Mails, and is due here on the 12th instant at about daylight.

MERCHANT STEAMERS.

The T. K. K. S. TROYO MARU will next leave for San Francisco, via usual ports, on Tuesday, 13th April, at noon.

The Barber Line's BOLTON CASTLE for Hongkong via Panama Canal left New York on the 2nd January and is therefore due to arrive here about the beginning of April.

The T. K. K. S. SHINYO MARU will next leave Hongkong for San Francisco, via usual ports, on Tuesday 11th May, at noon.

The T. K. K. S. CHIYO MARU will sail for San Francisco via Shanghai, Nagasaki, Kobe, Yokohama, Yokohama and Honolulu on Tuesday, 23rd March, at noon.

The S. S. SANGOLA sailed from Calcutta on the 3rd inst. and may be expected here on or about the 25th inst.

The E. & A. S. S. EMPIRE left Sydney for this Port (via Queensland Ports and Manila) on 6th inst. and may be expected to arrive here on or about 28th inst.

The S. S. UMARIA sailed from Calcutta on the 8th inst. and may be expected here on or about the 25th inst.

The Hongkong Office of the T. K. K. is in receipt of an advice from its Yokohama Office to the effect that the S. S. CHIYO MARU will arrive at this port from San Francisco, Japan Ports and Manila on the afternoon of Friday 19th March, instead of on the 15th inst. as scheduled.

The S. S. ITOLA from Calcutta & Straits left Saigon on the 9th inst. afternoon and may be expected here on or about the 12th inst.

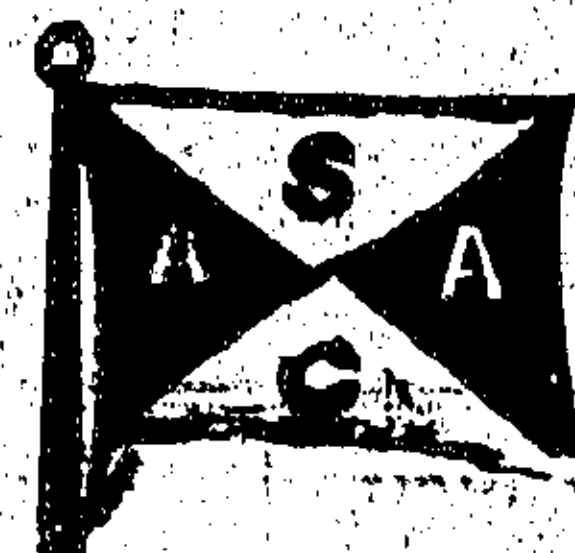
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Steamers.

Tijlajap, Dut. s.s. 2,470, F. E. O. van Scheunbeck, 28th ult.—Batavia, 24th Jan. Sugar—J. O. J. L.
Uncas, Br. s.s. 2,897, F. Stewart, 2nd inst.—San Francisco, 31st Jan. Fuel—O. S. K.
Walshing, Br. s.s. 1,170, Picknell, 6th inst.—Bangkok Rice—J. M. & Co.
Rubi, Am. s.s. 1,408, J. Miller, 5th inst.—Saigon, 1st inst. Rice—S. T. & Co.
Feiching, Chinese s.s. 880, Haines, 6th inst.—Canton, Gen.—O. S. K.
Fritzy, F. Norw. s.s. 891, J. Kristensen, 6th inst.—Bangkok, 24th ult. Rice—T. & Co.
Asanyo, Br. s.s. 4,389, J. J. Caldwell, 8th inst.—Bombay, 20th ult. Gen.—P. & O. S. N. Co.
Siberia, Am. s.s. 5,555, A. Zeeder, 9th inst.—San Francisco, 6th Feb. Gen.—P. M. S. Co.
Szechuen, Br. s.s. 1,143, Barkers, 9th inst.—Canton, Gen.—P. & S.
Kenkon Maru, Jap. s.s. 2,091, Sasaki, 9th inst.—Moji, 3rd inst. Coal—M. H. K.
Atsuta Maru, Jap. s.s. 5,044, M. Yoshika, 9th inst.—Middlesbrough, 22nd Jan. Gen.—N. Y. K.
Holbow, Br. s.s. 999, Fraser, 8th inst.—Hoihow, 7th inst. Gen.—B. & S.
St. Albans, Br. s.s. 2,538, E. P. Simpson, 9th inst.—Moji, 5th inst. Gen.—O. S. K.
Kaijo Maru, Jap. s.s. Y. Yamamoto, 11th inst.—Swatow, 11th inst. Gen.—O. S. K.
Halohing, Br. s.s. 1,267, W. C. Passmore, 10th inst.—Swatow, 9th inst. Gen.—D. L. & Co.
Daigi Maru, Jap. s.s. 816, S. Sekishige, 10th inst.—Swatow, 9th inst. Gen.—O. S. K.
Orissa, Br. s.s. 3,525, D.H. Langlands, 10th inst.—Moji, 4th inst. Gen.—A. L.
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No Fire Insurance whatever will be effected.

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THE HONGKONG TELEGRAPH.

EXTRA

HONGKONG, THURSDAY, MARCH 11, 1915.

LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.

A meeting of the Legislative Council was held in the Council Chamber this afternoon.

There were present:—H. E. the Governor, Sir Henry May, His Excellency Major General F. H. Kelly, C.B., The Hon. Colonial Secretary, Mr. C. Severn.

The Hon. Secretary for Chinese Affairs, Mr. S. B. C. Ross, The Hon. Attorney General, Mr. J. H. Kemp.

The Hon. Colonial Treasurer, Mr. A. M. Thomson.

The Hon. Director of Public Works, Mr. W. Chatham, C.M.G.

The Hon. Capt. Supt. of Police, Mr. O. McIlvaine Messer.

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The Hon. Mr. Wei Yak, C.M.G.

The Hon. Mr. E. Shelling.

The Hon. Mr. Lay Chiu-pak.

Mr. A. G. M. Fletcher, Clerk of Councils.

Financial.

The following financial minute, recommended by the Governor, was referred to the Finance Committee:—

A sum of \$400 in aid of the vote Public Works, Extraordinary, New Territories, miscellaneous, compensation for resumption of Lands.

New Export Restrictions.

The Hon. Attorney General moved the first reading of a Bill intituled An Ordinance to provide for declarations of ultimate destination in respect of goods and merchandise to be exported to certain places and for the furnishing of export manifests.

The Hon. Colonial Secretary seconded, and the Bill was read a first time.

The object of this Bill is to prevent the exportation to destinations in neutral countries in Europe of goods intended to be forwarded to enemy territory.

Alien Enemies' Affairs.

The Council deferred consideration of the Bill intituled An Ordinance to amend the Alien Enemies (Windingup) Ordinance, 1914.

VOLUNTEER ORDERS.

Corps Orders issued to-day by Lieut-Col. A. Chapman, V.D., state:—

Joined.—Sapper M. Houghton joined the Corps on 11th March, allotted Corps No. 1770 and posted to Engineer Company.

Transfer.—Pte. W. A. Morgan from Centre Section M. G. Co. to Engineer Company.

Parades.—Parades for Friday, 12th instant: Units on duty at Headquarters and Mount Austin Barracks, under Officers on duty. Remainder, nil.

Detail.—Orderly Officer, Lieut. Weall. Orderly Sergeant, Corpl. Lowick. To Farnish Guard:—At Volunteer Headquarters:—7 p.m. to-day to 7 a.m. to-morrow, Scouts Company; 7 a.m. to 7 p.m. to-morrow, No. 1 Section Artillery and Left Section M.G. Company; 7 p.m. to-morrow to 7 a.m. 13th inst., Scouts Company; next for duty, H. K. V. R. At Mount Austin Barracks:—7 p.m. to-day to 7 a.m. to-morrow and 7 p.m. to-morrow to 7 a.m. 13th inst., No. 1 Section Artillery and Left Section M.G. Company; next for duty, H. K. V. R.

"The Quaints."

"The Quaints" delighted another large audience at the Theatre Royal last night. All the members of the little party were in happy mood, and their work was of the high standard which the Colony has come to associate with the Company. To-night there will be another change of programme. The Company's season is running short, and those who love a really good laugh, dainty music and pretty dancing should make the most of the time.

DARING DEEDS.

New British Soldiers Fight.

Among the various lists of awards for bravery are to be found short histories of the deeds for which the awards are given. Not only do these stories prove that the British fighting spirit is always what it has been, but they often read like some wonderful epic. For instance, Private George Wilson, who now can add the magic letters V.O. to his name, performed an almost incredible act. On September 14, when near Verneuil, he and another—its seems a pity that his name is not to be found in the published records—set out to capture a machine gun. His companion was shot, but Wilson went on, shot the officer and six men working the gun and captured it.

Naik Darwan Singh, of the 30th Garhwal Rifles, led the way through wounded, in clearing the enemy out of trenches near Festubert. Hit in two places in the head and also in the arm, he was the first to push round the traverse in spite of the severest fire from bombs and rifles. Brave as this deed was, Sepoy Khudasad did something more remarkable for sheer pluck. The man to stand last to a gun to see his mates shot down and to go on working at his post requires a species of cold courage that deserves the highest recognition, and it is pleasing to know that both he and the courageous rifleman mentioned before have received the highest decoration that the King can give to acknowledge bravery.

Among the medals for Distinguished Conduct in the Field is one that goes to Private A. E. Bentley of the 1st Batta. Bedfordshire Regiment, for gallantry under fire and for remaining under a hot fire on October 12, helping to dress the wounds of three men whom it was impossible to move. Another goes to Private Burns. A dressing station had to be evacuated and a number of dangerously wounded men whose removal would have been at great risk to their lives had to be left behind. Burns remained behind and tended the men for two whole days, despite a fierce fire. He kept to his task until the position was recaptured and the wounded men saved. It is a great question as to how many of those men owe their lives to the heroism of Burns.

Pte. Coombes, of the Dorset-shires, was given a message to take to his regiment on October 12 and he delivered it. In the course of his errand, when about three hundred yards from his destination, he was shot through the lungs by a shrapnel bullet, which passed out at his back. He kept on his way, and the medal is the country's recognition of the merit of a man who struggled to fulfil his task in spite of so serious an injury.

Private Meaton, of the 6th Dragoon Guards, has several debts among the London Scottish. At Messines he went out repeatedly under a very heavy shell and machinegun fire to succour wounded Scots. He dressed their wounds and carried them out of action. The same night he was busy displaying gallantry in an attack and wound up the day's performance by walking up to an enemy trench and shooting five Germans.

For sheer bravery the exploits of Lieutenant Leach and Sergeant John Hogan will take a lot of beating. They have both been awarded the Victoria Cross, and the Manchester Regiment is highly delighted with them. At Festubert, at the end of October, their trench had been taken by the Germans and after two attempts to capture it had failed they decided in the afternoon of the same day to do it in their own. They did it. They worked from traverse to traverse, taking back the trench section by section and, fighting at close quarters, with great bravery, they succeeded

THE PEARL CASE.

When the Box was Opened

At the Police Court, this afternoon, Frank Carlyle Gaudemine, described as an agent, was charged with obtaining credit to the extent of \$416.65, by means of fraud, from Mr. E. Chopard, proprietor of the Aster House Hotel.

Mr. W. B. Hind, of Mr. G. K. Hall Brutton's office, prosecuted. Mr. Chopard, in answer to Mr. Ross, for the defence, said he first saw the defendant on June 29. He was staying at Victoria House and he came to the hotel and signed checks without depositing any baggage. He never asked the defendant to leave the boarding house and stay at the hotel on monthly rates. Witness then knew nothing about the box of pearls. People were not asked whether they had luggage or what means they had. "Defendant told me he was a merchant."

So you are quite satisfied if you get a merchant?—Well, no.

You prefer a merchant to a lawyer? (Laughter.)

Witness said defendant could have stayed in the hotel without a box, but in that case he would have to pay his bill weekly. This box, said to contain pearls, was deposited with witness, for which a receipt was given. It was given for safe keeping. Defendant had access to the box on several occasions, but he never opened the box in anyone's presence. Credit was given on appearances.

Would you give me credit?—Yes, I would.

Perhaps it would be a mistake. Mr. Hind:—Not too much, I hope (laughter).

His Worship:—Don't waste time.

Witness said that, during August, when the war broke out, he had less customers, but he did not have more bad debts than any other month. The defendant did not pay his bill, so that it did not look as though he was a man of money.

In November he instructed Mr. Gardiner, the solicitor, to find the defendant and sue him for the money.

His Worship:—Are you prepared to say what is in the box? Mr. Ross said private papers and money—it did contain pearls, but not now.

His Worship asked whether defendant was prepared to repay the amount.

Defendant said he could not at the moment, but he was expecting \$750 (gold) in a few days, and he would pay as soon as he could.

Mr. Hind said it could not be considered that a man who put up credit at four hotels, and left without paying, had not any intentions of fraud.

The box was then opened, but nothing beyond papers, a few stamps and receipts was found.

Defendant said he would have difficulty in finding a bond for \$1,000 as security until he made the payment.

The hearing was remanded until Saturday.

ed in killing eight of the enemy, wounding two and taking sixteen prisoners, a total bag of 26.

Private B. Graham, of the Royal Scots Fusiliers, carried a friend from a position they were leaving under heavy fire, and, learning that a man had been left behind, returned and took him into safety too.

The performance of Squadron Sergeant Major W. Wright, of the 6th Dragoons, reads very much like a historical romance. He was despatched with a message to be delivered to an advanced troop. On his way he encountered a body of Germans who would have stopped his passage. He attacked them, cut his way through, leaving five of them dead, and completed his task. Two days previously, the reports says, he acted in a similar manner.

MUSIC OF WAR.

Mr. Kipling's Plea for Bands.

Mr. Rudyard Kipling delivered an interesting speech on January 27, at the Mansion House, at a meeting promoted by the Recruiting Bands Committee, and held with the object of raising bands in the London district as an aid to recruiting. The Lord Mayor was in the chair, and among those present were:—

Sir Charles Stanford, Sir Edward Elgar, Sir Frederick Bridge, Mr. Edward German, Sir Walter Parratt, Sir Hubert Parry, Mr. Arthur Kage, Mr. Albert Visetti, Dr. R. R. Terry, Mr. Robert Courtneidge, Sir Alfred Mond, M.P., Mrs. W. K. Clifford, Mr. Charles Garvice, Miss Lena Ashwell, Lord Denman, Mr. Charles Maclean, Sir Francis Trippel, Sir William Crookes, Mr. W. D. Cooper, Mr. Arthur Bourchier, Mr. Israel Zangwill, Mr. Algernon Rose, Mr. William Wallace, Mr. Algernon Ashton, Mr. Bernard Partridge, Mr. Norman O'Neill, Mr. Frederick Harrison, Captain Mackenzie Ross, Mr. Ben Davies, Sheriff Cart de Lafontaine, Sir Alexander Mackenzie, Mr. H. Gordon Salfridge, Sir John Rolleston, M.P., and the mayors of a number of metropolitan boroughs.

While the meeting was assembling, music was played by the Lord Mayor's Recruiting Band, which has been provided by the generosity of Sir F. Trippel, who has joined the Executive Committee. Letters expressing sympathy with the movement were received from the Prime Minister, the Lord Chancellor, the Duke of Newcastle, and Sir Edward Ward.

This first donations on the list were from the Lord Chancellor, the Post Laureate, and the President of the Royal Academy.

Mr. Kipling's Speech.

Mr. Rudyard Kipling said:—The most useful thing that a civilian can do in these busy days is to speak as little as possible, and if he feels moved to write, to confine his efforts to his obsequies. (Laughter.) But this is an exception to that very sound rule. We do not know the present strength of the new Armies. Even if we did it would not be necessary to make it public. But we may assume that there are several battalions in Great Britain which were not in existence at the end of last July, and some of them are in London. Nor is it any part of our national policy to explain how far these battalions are prepared for the work which is ahead of them. They were born quite rightly in silence. But that is no reason why they should continue to walk in silence for the rest of their lives. (Cheers.) They fortunately up to the present have been obliged to walk in silence or to no better accompaniment than whistles and concertinas and other meretricious but inadequate instruments of music with which they have provided themselves. In the beginning this did not matter so much. More urgent needs had to be met; but now that the new Armies are what they are, we who cannot assist them by joining their ranks owe it to them to provide them with more worthy music for their help, their gratification, and their honour. (Cheers.)

I am not a musician, so if I speak as a barbarian I must ask you and several gentlemen on the platform here to forgive me. From the lowest point of view a few drums and fifes in the battalion mean at least five extra miles in a route march, quite apart from the fact that they can swing a battalion back to quarters happy and composed in its mind, no matter how wet or tired its body may be. Even when there is no route marching, the mere come and go, the roll and flourishing of drums

and fifes around the barracks is as warming and cheering as the sight of a fire in a room. A band, not necessarily a full band, but a band of a dozen brasses and wood-winds, is immensely valuable in the district where men are billeted. It revives memories, it quickens association, it opens and unites the hearts of men more surely than any other appeal can, and in this respect it aids recruiting perhaps more than any other agency. I wonder whether I should say this—the tunes that it employs and the words that go with that tune are sometimes very remote from heroism or devotion, but the magic and the compelling power is in them, and it makes men's souls realise certain truths that their minds might doubt.

The Soul of a Battalion.

Further, no one, not even the adjutant, can say for certain where the soul of the battalion lives, but the expression of that soul is most often found in the band. (Cheers.) It stands to reason that 1,200 men whose lives are pledged to each other must have some common means of expression, some common means of conveying their moods and their thoughts to themselves and their world. The band feels the moods and interprets the thoughts. A wise and sympathetic bandmaster—and the masters that I have met have been that—can lift a battalion out of depression, cheer it in sickness, and steady and recall it to itself in times of almost unendurable stress. (Cheers.) You may remember a beautiful poem by Sir Henry Newbolt, in which he describes how a squadron of weary big dragoons were led to renewed effort by the strains of a penny whistle and a child's drum taken from a toyshop in a wrecked French town. I remember in India, in a cholera camp, where the men were suffering very badly, the "band of the 10th Lincolns" started a regimental sing-song and went on with that queer, defiant tune "The Lincolnshire Poacher." It was their regimental march that the men had heard a thousand times. There was nothing in it—nothing except all England, all the East Coast, all the fun and daring and horseplay of young men bucketing about big pastures in the moonlight. But as it was given very softly at that bad time in that terrible camp of death, it was the one thing in the world that could have restored said did restore shaken men back to their pride, humour, and self-control. (Cheers.) This may be an extreme instance, but it is not an exceptional one. Any man who has had anything to do with the Service will tell you that the battalion is better for music at every turn, happier, more easily handled, with greater zest in its daily routine, if that routine is sweetened with melody and rhythm—melody for the mind and rhythm for the body.

Our new Armies have been badly served in this essential. Of all the admirable qualities which they have shown none is more wonderful than the spirit which has carried them through the labours and distasteful groundwork of their calling without one note of music, except that which the same indomitable spirit provided out of their own heads. We have all seen them marching through the country, through the streets of London in absolute silence and the crowds through which they passed as silent as themselves for the lack of the one medium that could convey and glorify the thoughts that are in us all to-day.

Drums and Fifes for Every Battalion.

We are a tongue-tied brood at the best. The bands can declare on our behalf without shame and without shyness something of what we all feel, and help us to reach a hand towards the men who have risen up to save us. In the beginning the more urgent re-

INTERRUPTED RICKSHA RIDE.

A Fight on the Kowloon City Road.

John Cheung Wong, an assistant employed in Messrs. Watson's Aerated Water Manufactory, and residing at Kowloon, has reported to the Police that, while riding in a ricksha on the Kowloon City road, he met six men. Two, who were in advance of the others, assaulted the ricksha coolie and threw pepper in his eyes, causing him to drop the shafts. The complainant left the ricksha and attacked the men, who in turn assaulted him, robbed him of a gold watch and chain and other goods, to the total value of \$183.60 and threw him into a gully. He is unable to describe the assailants owing to the fact that the occurrence took place so late at night.

quirements of the new Armies overrode all other considerations. Now we can get to work on some other essentials. The War Office has authorised the formation of bands for some of the London battalions, and we may hope presently to see the permission extended throughout Great Britain. We must not however cherish unbridled musical ambitions, because a full band means more than 40 pieces, and on that establishment we should even now require a rather large number of men, but I think it might be possible to provide drums and fifes for every battalion, full bands at depots, and a proportion of battalion bands on half, or even one-third, establishments.

But this is not a matter to be settled by laymen; it must be discussed seriously between bandmasters and musicians—present.

They may be trusted to give their services with enthusiasm. We have had many proofs in the last six months that people only want to know what the new Army needs, and it will be gladly and cheerfully given.

The Army needs music, its own music for more than in any other calling, soldiers do not live by bread alone. From time immemorial the man who offers his life for his land has been compassed at every turn of his service with elaborate ceremonial and observance, of which music is no small part, all carefully designed to support and uphold him. It is not seemly and it is not expedient that any portion of that ritual should be altered or omitted now. (Cheers.)

Lord Denman said the country might be faced with the possibility of compulsory training for home defence. He had administered the government of one of the great Dominions overseas during the time when compulsory service was introduced there. In the Commonwealth of Australia compulsory service was the law of the land, and, thanks to the excellence of the system and the tact and ability of its administration during the first years of its inception, there had been scarcely any friction, and it did not bring in its train any of the drawbacks feared.

Sir F. Bridge said that what was wanted was a band that would play good rousing march tunes such as he remembered in Rotherham when the 18th Royal Irish were setting out for the Crimean War. After badly damaging six policemen the night before. (Laughter.) The band was a powerful influence with troops. He had been a member of a Volunteer band and had marched to be reviewed by Queen Victoria in Hyde Park. With 21,000 a week they ought to have 20 good bands to provide good old tunes like "Tipperary," "Ninety-five," and "Bory O'More." Let the public find the money and musicians would find the music and bandmen. (Cheers.)

WAR ITEMS.

Von Kluck's Son Killed.

Amsterdam, Feb. 2.—The eldest son of General von Kluck was killed on January 28, during an artillery duel near Middelkerke.

Capital of Bukovina Bombarded.

London, March 3.—The Bucharest correspondent of the Daily Mail wires that Russian artillery near Sadagora has bombarded Czernowitz, the capital of Bukovina.

Mutinous Germans.

Amsterdam, Feb. 2.—The Telegraaf's correspondent at Lommel says that a German camp has been established south of Voort and Tessenderloo. It is fenced in with barbed wire, and contains over four thousand unarmed German soldiers who have been sentenced for refusing to fight or for mutiny. The camp is strongly guarded, and the population is not permitted to approach it.—Reuter.

King Albert Dug Trenches.

London, Jan. 12, 7.20 a.m.—King Albert spent several hours on Sunday with a pick and shovel, digging trenches like a common soldier," writes a Belgian from the front to his family in the refugee camp here. He wrote:

"While inspecting with some staff officers, the King saw a group of us digging, looking very tired. He enquired how long we had been working. Being told, he sent us away for a rest, while he proposed to his staff that he and they take our places."

U. S. Naval Collars and Sugar.

Says the Cablenews American:—Inasmuch as existing law does not permit the use of naval collars for private purposes, the navy department has been compelled to deny the request of the Governor General for their use in transporting Philippine sugar to the United States. The request was made at the instance of the Manila Merchants' Association in the hope that the government of the United States would be in a position to help out in the matter of tonnage in this case. It was hoped that a large amount of the hemp, copra and maguay would also be transported by this means. In transmitting the reply of the navy department the Governor General says that "he is still in the hope of being able to do something to help out, but in what manner is not disclosed."

The Unthinkable Consequences of War.

Behind the millions of men actually fighting in Europe there are six millions more ready or almost ready, to move to the front. The unit of the present conflict is an army corps, 120,000 men of all arms, and we have grown accustomed to speak in terms of which we cannot really think. Six million more men to be hurled into the war! And the costs and consequences—physical, economic, moral—are utterly beyond the capacity of the imagination. Six million more men withdrawn from productive industry for an indefinite period, with passions unleashed by the barbarity of organised homicide, in whom the spirit of all the world will pause long and consider, deeply before they precipitate another conflict.

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Nov. 4—German cruiser *Yorch* strikes mine in Jade Bay and sinks.

Nov. 5—England and France declare war on Turkey. Dardanelles forts bombarded. Russians reconquer Jaroslav.

Nov. 8—Tsingtau surrenders.

Nov. 7—Russians enter East Prussia.

Nov. 10—The *Emden* destroyed.

Nov. 11—Germans capture Dixmude.

Nov. 12—Russians occupy Johanniaburg in East Prussia.

Nov. 19—House of Commons votes a new army of 1,000,000 men. More than 1,100,000 men already under arms, exclusive of Territorials.

Nov. 23—Russians surround German corps south of Lodz.

Nov. 26—British battleship *Bulwark* destroyed by explosion in the Medway River. Germans break through Russian circle near Lodz.

Dec. 1—German Reichstag votes new credit of five billion marks. King George in Flanders.

Dec. 2—Austrians occupy Belgrade. Gen. De Wet captured.

Dec. 3—Serbians turn on Austrians in three days' battle which ends in a notable Serbian victory.

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